## INDIAN THORPE GREATEST SPORT MARVEL OF ALL TIME

## VETERAN WON MANY TITLES ON GREAT NATURAL SKILL

Even at Thirty-Seven Thorpe Stars at Football-How Indian Received King of Sweden's Dinner Invitation During Olym-

By Robert Edgren.

'M THORPE is now thirty-seven years old and plays football with the "leveland Tigers. He plans to play one season more and then retire to ranching in California, like Chance, Overail, Meyers, Papke, Jeffries, Morris and many other noted professional athletes.

Thorpe's retirement isn't coming about because of any falling off in his amazing athletic ability. He is still as great a football player as when he starred on the Carlisle Indian team. But he is weary of professional

The Indian has long been the greatest all-around athlete ever developed in America, which is to say he is the greatest athlete of modern times. He could do anything in the athletic

and always fought their gridiron

In present day open play the Indians would have been almost unbeatable and revenue. because of their speed and sureness of foot and their accuracy in kicking and handling the ball. Among the Indian players whose names will still be remembered by old time tans were Belanti, Mont Pleasant, Welsh, Johnson, Senaca, Houser, Guyon, Metoxen, Wheelock and Bemis Pierce. Glenn Warner was coach, and became famous with his Indian

But greatest and most famous of all was Jim Thorpe, half back and captain in 1912, and unanimously selected All-American

Thorpe was the most sensational football player in the country when Eastern college he kicked four field goals in four attempts.

scored all the Carlisle points himself, guards. making touchdowns, field goals, placement kicks, goal kicks, and scoring McGowan Seeks by every known method except by a "safety." He was a strong and fast runner-and is still.

When Thorpe had won all possible football honors he gave part of his time to other sports. As a track athelete he put over a number of very ane performances. Going to Sweden ett McGowan of St. Paul, winner of it is in the second division in the to the Olympic games of 1912 he won the recent professional meet at Sar- league standing the New York team the Decathlon, 800 points ahead of his anac Lake, N. Y., will meet a fast may be in for a surprise. nearest competitor, H. Weislander of field of speed skating stars when he As a preliminary to t Thorpe was declared a professional becaused he had played "semi-pro" baseball under an assumed name in

Thorpe als, won the American allaround championship. At this time, Martin Sheridan, one of our greatest all-around champions, told me that in his estimation Thorne was the best all-around athlete in the world, bar none. There was some question whether Thorpe or Sheridan was supreme on track and field, but they never met, because of Thorne's retirement into the professional class.

Thorpe could clear 6 feet 41/4 inches e running high jump, run a hundred yards in 10 seconds flat, pole vault over 11 feet, put the shot 44 feet 9 inches, cover 22 feet in the running broad jump, and 155 feet with the javelin, and run a fairly fast mile. REFUSED KING'S INVITATION.

They told many stories about the Indian on that Olympic trip to curious to see a real Indian at close quarters, sent Thorpe an invitation

Thorpe declined the invitation, say, ing that he wanted to go to bed early. On leaving Sweden Jim said the Swedes were fine sportsmen, and he enjoyed the trip, but ne was anxious to get back to an American bath tub.

Like many Indian athletes and other athletes for that matter, Jim had a wild streak that came out now and then. This was in the days when firewater wasn't quite so scarce in the land. Glenn Warner, the coach, was the only man on earth Thorpe held in awe. On one occasion, when Carlisic and W. and J. had played a no-

McGraw, several baseball writers Before government "economy" de- thought it would make a good story prived the Indians of Carlisle, the if the big Indian was introduced to great Indian school, Carlisle had a a quart of whiskey and went on a fine football team. For years the lear. But Glen Warner nipped the plot by sticking close to Thorpe for Indians met the best of the big col- a week and shooing the practical leges, and usually they won. They jokers off. In all his baseball days were fast, shifty, headlong, tricky, Thorpe stuck to training and did his best to make good. He played a fair battles out to the last minute of play.

The old style of football was in vogue athletic form on the diamond, probthen, all line bucking and end ably because he didn't begin playing baseball early enough in his career as an athlete. After several years he took up football again, for recreation

> Jim Thorpe never cared for the applause of the crowd, or if he did care for it, Indianlike, never let his feeling how. He is married and has two little girls-one of his reasons for retiring from professional sport and taking up farming. As a professional athlete James earned about \$100,000. but his liberal habits kept him from unving much of it.

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#### PROM BASKETBALL GAME AT N. Y. U. TO-NIGHT.

The annual Junior Prom basketball game at New York University will be played in the Heights gymnasium toon the Carlisle team. Six feet tall, night with the Cornell five, victors powerfully but lightly built and over the champion U. of P. team, furweighing about 180 pounds, Thorpe nishing the opposition. The Violet is combined speed and quick brain with expecting the hardest kind of a battle great aggressiveness and a natural with the strong Red quintet, and will knack of handling himself and the be further spurred on in its effort by ball. He was versatile. As a drop the presence of a large Prom crowd. kicker and a placement kicker he had The local team will line up with no equal. In one game against an Goeller and Hatterer at forward, Bierce at centre and Dorff and Toorock at guard. Cornell will rely upon Luther and Rippe as forwards, Capron Playing against West Point, Thorpe at pivot and Wedell and Crabtree as

## Skating Title In Big Tourney

ENDICOTT, N. Y., Feb. 17.-Everfaces the starter at the international Camden contest in the evening the some of the Southern States. His half of the meet Sunday. The second championship will be run. The winning quintet will be considered. half of the meet Sunday. The second championship of Greater New York on Monday and Tuesday at Lake ered the title holders and each mem-Placid, N. Y. The man winning the ber will be presented with a gold greatest total number of points at the medal. Throughout this season the crowned the international professional champion of the world.

McGowan will meet eight of the fastest men in the professional skating keen game: Arthur Staff of Chicago, Ed- night. mund Lamy of Saranac Lake, Bobby McLean of Chicago, Morris Wood of Long Branch, N. J., Norval Baptie of Bath Gate, N. D., Ben O'Sickey of Cleveland, Don Baker of Brooklyn, and Clarence Carman of Providence.

The races will be held under the lesgue baseball player, William ond time that Russell has been in-Fischer, who is now athletic director Stockholm. The King of Sweden, of the Endicott and Johnson City Le. At the beginning of the season he gions. Fischer has arranged to put on went to the Visitation from the Dodgthe six standard races, the 220-yard ers in a three-cornered deal that dach, quarter mile, half mile, three- sent Carey to the Knights of St. Anquarter mile, one mile and three-mile thony. championship events. The international amateur skating rules will govern these races.

Miss Gladys Robinson of Toronto, international amateur ladies champion, will endeavor to break the world's records for the 220-yard dash and quarter-mile which she now holds.

#### M'GUINNESS TO GIVE CUP TO WINNER OF BOUT.

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### For Eastern League Lead Female Teams Meet in Title

New York Plays Camden Five

Game at Madison Square Garden.

Camden will have an opportunity of regaining its lead in the Eastern League when the Jersey team meets the Original Celtics to-morrow evening at Madison Square Garden. The New Yorkers gained first position recently by subduing the Camden aggregation by the score of 20 to 19 gles, 14th Regiment Armory, at the Jerseyites' court. The Celtical SUNDAY AFTERNO have an average of eight victories and one defeat while the Camdens (Eastern average two defeats and seven vic-Garden. tories. With a win over the champlons to-morrow, Camden, providing the Celtics lose the afternoon and evening game, will find itself in first place again.

In the afternoon the Celtics are scheduled to oppose the Coatesville team. Coatesville has been offering

As a preliminary to the Celticsieed skating championships which Manhattan Lassies and the Inwood start here to-day and finish the first Girls will compete for the female end of the four-day meet will be Manhattan Lassies have won fifteen games and they have lost only one. The record of the Inwood team is good enough to insure a display of playing ability to-morrow

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE.

The managers of the Visitation together the Dodgers and the Visita-Triangles, Ross and Ronlin, have tion Triangles. traded Honey Russell to the Brooklyn Five in exchange for Eddie White. A trade between the Visitations and the Brooklyns has been auspices of the American Legions of pending for some time, and there Endicott and Johnson City and are was considerable speculation as to the under the direction of the former big players concerned. This is the secvolved in a Metropolitan League deal. MacDowall Lyceum travels to Pat-

> the New Yorkers should have little difficulty in taking the measure of their Jersey opponents. In the event of a defeat at the hands of Mac-Dowall Lyceum the Powers team will and home series. The Kingsleys ha have a chance for revenge on Sunday afternoon at Palm Garden when that four starts, and this record is indicateam meets the Macs again. Dave tive of some fast work to-more

#### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE. SATURDAY.

MacDowalls vs. Powers Brothers (Metropolitan), Paterson, N. J. Starling Greys vs. Armory Big Five,

White Plains, N. Y. St. Augustine Triangles vs. Frank lin A. C., Westchester, N. Y. Oriental Speed Merchants vs. Willow A. A., Flushing, Oriental Juniors vs. Columbia Club New Rochelle. Postal Five vs. Park Slope Trian-

SUNDAY AFTERNOON Original Celtics vs, Coatesville (Eastern League), Madison Square

MacDowall Lyceum vs. Powers Brothers (Metropolitan), Palm Gar-

Dodgers vs. Knights (Metropolitan). Prospect Hall, Brooklyn, Brooklyn Five vs. Kingston State Leaguers, Arcadia Hall, Brooklyn.

Starling Grey Five vs. Kingsley Five, Hoffman's Casino Van Nest Five vs. Buckeye Five. Corrigan Separates vs. Dragons Corrigan Casey Hall.

Ascension Aces vs. Immaculata Club, Ascension Parish House. Original Italian Five vs. Veromer laseys, Tammany Hall.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

Original Celties vs. Camden Chostrn League), Madison Square Garden. Manhattan Lassies vs. Inwood irls (championship game), Madison Square Garden.
MacDowalls vs. Knights (Metropolitan), Greenpoint.

Visitations vs. Dodgers (Metropoli tun), Prospect Hall, Brooklyn.

Brooklyn Five will not play a Metopolitan League game to morrow but instead that team will engage the place in the second half of the league the Astor Theatre, New York Films the visitors are looked upon as stiff up the programme. the Albany Club on Tuesday might, opponents. Benny Borgeman, Lehr. Raiph Powers, the Husta brothers be used to take convalencent poor and Jimmy Clinton will take the children away from city tenements, court for the Kingstons, while the give them proper care food, sir, in

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